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autorise à lui communiquer les lignes qui précèdent. Je rédige et ne tarderai pas à publier le résumé complet de mes diverses expériences et j'aurai l'honneur d'en adresser de copies, à vous, cher Monsieur, et à l'Académie, comme je l'ai fait des mes opuscules antérieurs, en signe de ma profonde considération.

“Croyez-moi, Monsieur et très-honoré Collègue, votre serviteur très-affectionné

“ELIE WARTMANN.

“*Genève, le 8 Juillet, 1847.*”

The Secretary presented an ancient bell from John Connellan Deane, Esq., and read the following extract from a letter addressed by him to Sir Robert Kane :

“The facts connected with my possession of it are shortly these: A pawnbroker residing in the town of Carndonagh, in the union of Inishowen, which I had charge of under the Temporary Relief Act, offered it to me for sale when I was engaged in official business in that town. It appears that it was parted with by a man to obtain food, and, as I understood, by a descendant of a family of the name of O'Donnell, who pawned it for a great number of years. It was found in the townland of Carnaclug (the Head of the Bell), which locality, they say, takes its name from the bell.”

The Rev. Samuel Butcher read a paper by the Rev. C. W. Wall (V. P.), on the different kinds of cuneiform character employed by the Persians, and on the language of the inscriptions written in the first kind; of which the following is an outline :

1. A large proportion of the words of this language is utterly lost. Those preserved are to be found principally in the various forms of the Sanscrit tongue.

2. The Zend, which is a corrupt dialect and early derivative of the Sanscrit, approaches in grammatical structure